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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MPOL, CZ, UR  
SUBJECT: VISIT OF SOVIET MARSHAL MOSKALENKO

1. WE UNDERSTAND THAT CZECHOSLOVAK TELEVISION RECENTLY  
(AROUND APRIL 12) REPORTED THAT MARSHAL OF THE SOVIET  
UNION K.S. MOSKALENKO, DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND  
CHIEF INSPECTOR MOD, ADDRESSED A CZECHOSLOVAK AUDIENCE  
AT THE VITKOVICE STEEL AND ENGINEERING WORKS IN OSTRAVA.  
MOSKALENKO, AGE 76, IS A FULL MEMBER OF THE SUPREME SOVIET  
CENTRAL COMMITTEE, COMMUNIST PARTY. WE HAVE NOTED NO  
OTHER MENTION OF HIS PRESENCE IN CSSR.

2. COMMENT: MOSKALENKO MAY HAVE BEEN IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA  
ON VACATION OR ON A SWING THROUGH OTHER EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.  
THE HUGE VITKOVICE WORKS PRODUCE FINISHED STEEL AS WELL  
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AS MANY OTHER PRODUCTS USED BY WARSAW PACT MILITARY FORCES,  
AND IT IS UNDERSTANDABLE THAT HE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN  
VISITING IT. GOC CONSIDERS VITKOVICE A SHOWCASE,  
AND BOTH COMMUNIST AND NON-COMMUNIST VISITORS FREQUENTLY TOUR IT.  
WE, THEREFORE, ATTACH NO SPECIAL IMPORTANCE TO MOSKALENKO'S  
REPORTED PRESENCE THERE, THOUGH ANY VISIT BY A SOVIET MARSHAL  
IS A POTENTIALLY NOTEWORTHY EVENT HERE.

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